

IN THE UNITED STATES ATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants: Hiroshi AKISUKI, Nobuhide DOTSUBO

Case: Sanyo-74

Serial No.: 08/919,670 Filed: August 28, 1997

Group Art Unit: 2712

Examiner: Alicia Harrington

Title: ELECTRONIC CAMERA AND BATTERY VOLTAGE CONTROLLING

METHOD EMPLOYED THEREIN FOR SUCCESSIVELY, RATHER THAN

SIMULTANEOUSLY, OPERATING CAMERA PORTIONS DURING CONDITIONS OF LOW BATTERY VOLTAGE (as amended)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION

The Applicants believe that as a result of a government closing on January 25, 2000 as well as today, January 26, 2000, due to inclement weather, **no** extension of time is due for the accompanying amendment filed simultaneously herewith and due on January 25, 2000 in response to an office action (Paper No. 3) dated October 25, 1999.

If the Applicants are mistaken and any such extension is due, the Applicants conditionally petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for a one-month extension of the time to respond to the Office Action from

January 25, 2000 to and including February 25, 2000, and to charge the cost of that extension to my Deposit Account 13-3083.

Respectfully submitted,

January 26, 2000

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on **January 26, 2000** with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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